

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information processing apparatus is disclosed which is connected to a server along with other information processing apparatuses through a network and which is supplied with a shared virtual space wherein avatars representing users remain active. The apparatus comprises a registering element for registering any of the avatars as an object to be filtered out, a filtering element for filtering out data on the avatar registered by the registering element, the data having been transmitted from the server and a processing element for processing the shared virtual space based on the data left intact following the filtering by the filtering element.